



Minnesota Ag News – Goats

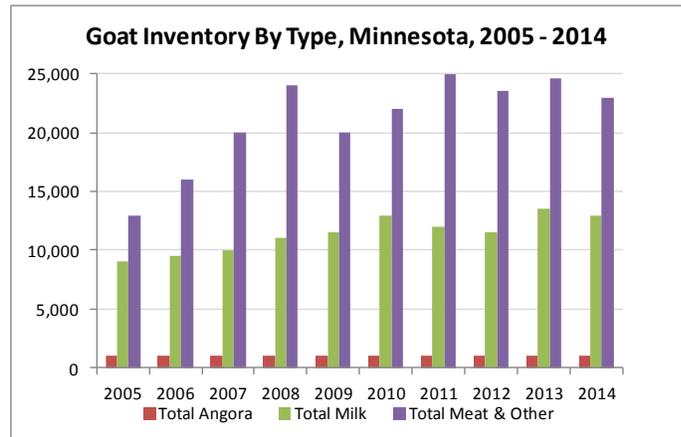
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Meat and other goat inventory in Minnesota as of January 1, 2014, totaled 23,000 head, down 7 percent from January 2013, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Sheep and Goats* report. Total **milk** inventory, at 13,000 head, was down 4 percent from the previous year. Compared to last year, total **Angora** inventory remained unchanged at 1,000 head.



Goat Inventory, Selected States and United States, 2013 & 2014

	Milk Goats		Meat & Other Goats		Angora Goats	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
California	40,500	38,000	98,500	87,000	3,500	3,400
Iowa	29,000	30,000	23,500	25,000	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	13,500	13,000	24,600	23,000	1,000	1,000
Texas	18,000	20,000	850,000	870,000	72,000	75,000
Wisconsin	46,000	46,000	17,000	22,000	1,000	1,000
United States	360,000	355,000	2,315,000	2,275,000	136,000	131,000

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

United States Goat and Kid Inventory Down 2 Percent

All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2014, totaled 2.76 million head, down 2 percent from 2013. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.26 million head, down 3 percent from 2013. Does one year old and older, at 1.69 million head, were 3 percent below last year's number. Market goats and kids totaled 500 thousand head, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Kid crop for 2013 totaled 1.74 million head for all goats, down 3 percent from 2012.

Meat and all other goats totaled 2.28 million head on January 1, 2014, down 2 percent from 2013. Milk goat inventory was 355 thousand head, down 1 percent from January 1, 2013, while Angora goats were down 4 percent, totaling 131 thousand head.

Mohair production in the United States during 2013 was 790 thousand pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 141 thousand head. Average weight per clip was 5.6 pounds. Mohair price was \$4.25 per pound with a value of 3.36 million dollars

The complete report can be found under **Publications** on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov.